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<p align="center">Advisory Action Before the Filing of an Appeal Brief</p>	<p>Application No. 09/865,145</p>	<p>Applicant(s) OLIVEIRA, LOUIS DOMINIC</p>	
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THE REPLY FILED 13 October 2008 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE.

1. ☒ The reply was filed after a final rejection, but prior to or on the same day as filing a Notice of Appeal. To avoid abandonment of this application, applicant must timely file one of the following replies: (1) an amendment, affidavit, or other evidence, which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee) in compliance with 37 CFR 41.31; or (3) a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114. The reply must be filed within one of the following time periods:

- a) ☐ The period for reply expires _____ months from the mailing date of the final rejection.
- b) ☒ The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection.

Examiner Note: If box 1 is checked, check either box (a) or (b). ONLY CHECK BOX (b) WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f).

Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

NOTICE OF APPEAL

2. ☐ The Notice of Appeal was filed on _____. A brief in compliance with 37 CFR 41.37 must be filed within two months of the date of filing the Notice of Appeal (37 CFR 41.37(a)), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 41.37(e)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal. Since a Notice of Appeal has been filed, any reply must be filed within the time period set forth in 37 CFR 41.37(a).

AMENDMENTS

3. ☐ The proposed amendment(s) filed after a final rejection, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will not be entered because
- (a) ☐ They raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below);
- (b) ☐ They raise the issue of new matter (see NOTE below);
- (c) ☐ They are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or
- (d) ☐ They present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.

NOTE: _____. (See 37 CFR 1.116 and 41.33(a)).

4. ☐ The amendments are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121. See attached Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (PTOL-324).
5. ☐ Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s): _____.
6. ☐ Newly proposed or amended claim(s) _____ would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s).
7. ☐ For purposes of appeal, the proposed amendment(s): a) ☐ will not be entered, or b) ☐ will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended.
- The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:
- Claim(s) allowed: _____.
- Claim(s) objected to: _____.
- Claim(s) rejected: _____.
- Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: _____.

AFFIDAVIT OR OTHER EVIDENCE

8. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence filed after a final action, but before or on the date of filing a Notice of Appeal will not be entered because applicant failed to provide a showing of good and sufficient reasons why the affidavit or other evidence is necessary and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 1.116(e).
9. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence filed after the date of filing a Notice of Appeal, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will not be entered because the affidavit or other evidence failed to overcome all rejections under appeal and/or appellant fails to provide a showing a good and sufficient reasons why it is necessary and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 41.33(d)(1).
10. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence is entered. An explanation of the status of the claims after entry is below or attached.

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION/OTHER

11. ☒ The request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because:
See Continuation Sheet.
12. ☐ Note the attached Information *Disclosure Statement*(s). (PTO/SB/08) Paper No(s). _____
13. ☐ Other: _____.

/Erika A. Gary/
Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2617

Continuation of 11. does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: The Examiner maintains that Adams also teaches a first input for receiving an audio multiplexer input that identifies whether a signal provided to the audio codec by the audio multiplexer is one of voice, stereo music, and mono music. The type of signal is determined by the sensing circuit. If a headphone is detected, the type of signal is identified as stereo music. If a headset is detected, voice or mono music is identified. Hence, as broadly interpreted, the limitations are read in the reference. Adams teaches a sensing circuit that determines whether a headset or headphone is installed. The headphone is stereo capable and the headset is mono capable. Adams teaches that the device is able to detect what is plugged in and provide the appropriate functionality [col. 1: lines 50-67; col. 2: lines 32-47]. Applicant argues that Adams does not teach disabling components, but rather disconnecting them. The Examiner maintains that Adams teaches the claimed invention as Adams teaches enabling or disabling channels (thus conserving power) based on whether the received audio signal is a stereo signal or phone call. If a component is disconnected, it is, in essence, disabled. Hence, as broadly interpreted, the limitations are read in the reference. Applicant argues the inherency of codecs and audio multiplexers. Though Adams does not specifically mention a codec and audio multiplexer, it is well known in the art (as admitted in Applicant's specification) that these components are in mobile devices. The background of the instant application states that codecs are in general use in various mobile units, such as cellular phones. Therefore, as admitted by Applicant, they are well known in the art and subsequently inherent in Adam's device 50, as it is disclosed to provide cellular telephone functionality. Further, the Examiner is maintaining the 112 rejection as there is not sufficient support in the Specification for a computer readable media. The Specification must empirically define the bounds of what the medium can be and must not include language such as "signals, carrier waves, or transmission media".